AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY MAY 5, 2003

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2003-04 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 640

Introduced by Assembly Member Dutra

February 19, 2003

An act to relating to school finance add Article 2 (commencing with Section 59350) to Chapter 4 of Part 32 of the Education Code, relating to special schools.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 640, as amended, Dutra. Categorical programs: State special schools: categorical funding.

Existing law establishes various categorical aid programs under which funding is provided for specific educational purposes.

This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to make the California Schools for the Deaf and the California School for the Blind eligible for all categorical funding programs that are available to school districts.

This bill would provide that state special schools are eligible to apply for and receive categorical funds in the same manner as school districts and county offices of education.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

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Article 2. Categorical Funding

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59350. State special schools are eligible to apply for and receive categorical funds in the same manner that school districts and county offices of education are eligible to apply for and receive those funds.